OCT 16 2006

PTO/SB/21 (04-04)

Approved for use through 07/31/2006, OMB 0651-0031

der the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no per	U.S. Pa sons are required to respond to a collect	atent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE ion of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.
When the state of	Application Number	10/550,479
MITTAL SORM	Filing Date	Sep. 23, 2005
FORM	First Named Inventor	Jun KANEGA
(to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)	Art Unit	1616
	Examiner Name	
Total Number of Pages in This Submission	Attorney Docket Number	1217-052603

ENCLOSURES (Check all that apply)							
☐ Fee Transmittal Form	☐ Drawing(s)	☐ After Allowance communication to Technology Center (TC)					
☐ Fee Attached	☐ Licensing-related Papers	☐ Appeal Communication to Board					
☐ Amendment/Reply	☐ Petition	of Appeals and Interferences					
☐ After Final	☐ Petition to Convert to a Provisional Application	☐ Appeal Communication to TC (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief)					
☐ Affidavits/declaration(s)	☐ Power of Attorney, Revocation	☐ Proprietary Information					
☐ Extension of Time Request	Change of Correspondence Address	□ Status Letter					
☐ Express Abandonment Request	☐ Terminal Disclaimer	☐ Other Enclosure(s) (please					
☑ Information Disclosure Statement	☐ Request for Refund	identify below)					
☐ Certified Copy of Priority Documents	☐ CD, Number of CD(s)						
Response to Missing Parts/ Incomplete Application							
☐ Response to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53	·						
	·						
SIGNATU	RE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR A	AGENT					
Firm Kent E. Baldauf							
or The Webb Law Firm		•					
Signature Kut & Gala	land						
Date October 11, 2006	7						
<del></del>	······································						

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION/MAILING					
	espondence is being facsimile transmitted to the Uss mail in an envelope addressed to: Commission				
Typed or printed name	Diane Paull				
Signature	aliane Paull	Date	10-11-2006		

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.5. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Appl. No. 10/550,479 Information Disclosure Statement dated 10-11-2006 Attorney Docket No. 1217-052603

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No.

No. 0CT 1 6 2006

10/550,479

Confirmation No. 1967

Applicant

Jun KANEGA et al.

September 23, 2005

Title : Process for Producing Fluorocopolymer

Art Unit : 1616

**–** 

Examiner :

Customer No.

28289

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants hereby submit this Information Disclosure Statement together with a completed Form PTO/SB/08a.

This application is the United States national phase of PCT Application No. PCT/JP04/03330. The International Search Report dated June 22, 2004, for the underlying PCT application identified the three Japanese references and the first three PCT applications listed on Form PTO/SB/08a.

WO 99/50319 is equivalent to United States Patent No. 6,703,461.

WO 99/65954 is equivalent to United States Published Application No. 2005/0107535.

WO 97/08239 is equivalent to United States Patent No. 6,172,162.

JP 9-500163 is equivalent to WO 95/02634.

JP 9-183812 is equivalent to United States Patent No. 5,861,464.

The United States patents and published application are also cited on attached Form PTO/SB/08a. However, copies are not provided, pursuant to 37 CFR §1.98.

Copies of the foreign references listed on Form PTO/SB/08a are being submitted with this Information Disclosure Statement. The degree of relevance for the non-English language references listed on Form PTO/SB/08a is indicated in the International Search Report. A copy of the International Search Report is enclosed for the Examiner's convenience.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on October 11, 2006.

Diane Paull
(Name of Person Mailing Document)

Signature

10/11/2006

No fee is believed to be due for the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement as it is being submitted before a first Office Action on the merits. Nevertheless, the Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

THE WEBB LAW FIRM

Kent E. Baldauf

Registration No. 25,826
Attorney for Applicants
700 Koppers Building
436 Seventh Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Telephone: 412-471-8815 Facsimile: 412-471-4094

PTO/SB/08a (07-05)

1217-052603

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Attorney Docket Number

Peperwork Redu Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number. Under th Complete if Known Substitute for form 1449A/PTO 10/550,479 Application Number INFORMATION DISCLOSURE Sep. 23, 2005 Filing Date STATEMENT BY APPLICANT First Named Inventor Jun KANEGA Art Unit 1616 (Use as many sheets as necessary) **Examiner Name** 

2

of

Sheet

	U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>		ment Number		Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant	
		Number - K	and Code"				Figures Appear	
		US- 5	,861,464	B1	01-19-1999	Goldmann et al.		
		US- 6	,172,162	B1	01-09-2001	Mouri		
		US- 6	,703,461	В1	03-09-2004	Tanaka et al.		
		US- 2	005/010753	35A1	05-19-2005	Funaki et al.		
		US-						
		US-						
		US-						
		US-						
		US-						
		US-						
		US-	_					
		US-						
		US-			<u> </u>		<u> </u>	

				FOREIG	N PATENT I	OCUMENTS		
Examiner Cite Initials* No.1			reign Patent Docum		Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T <sup>6</sup>
		1	Number Kind Co		10.07.1000	Dellate land 14d	Equivalent US 6,703,461	Н
		wo	99/50319	A1	10-07-1999	Daikin Ind. Ltd.	Equivalent 03 0,703,401	
		wo	99/65954	A1	12-23-1999	Asahi Glass Co. Ltd.	Equiv. US 2005/0107535	
		wo	97/08239	A1	03-06-1997	Morisei Kako Co Ltd	Equiv. US 6,172,162	
		wo	95/02634	A1	01-26-1995	E.I. DuPont	Equiv. of JP9-500163	
		JP(1997)	9-183812	Α	07-15-1997	Dyneon GmbH	Equiv. US 5,861,464	
		JP(1993)	5-287151	Α	11-02-1993	Asahi Glass Co. Ltd.	English Abstract attached	

Examiner		Date	
Signature	<u> </u>	Considered	

<sup>\*</sup>EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at <a href="https://www.uspto.gov">www.uspto.gov</a> or MPEP 901.04. Senter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is treated.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number. Substitute for form 1449B/PTO Complete if Known Application Number 10/550,479 INFORMATION DISCLOSURE Filing Date Sep. 23, 2005 STATEMENT BY APPLICANT First Named Inventor Jun KANEGA Art Unit 1616 (Use as many sheets as necessary) **Examiner Name** 2 Sheet Attorney Docket Number 1217-052603

	NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials*						
		ABSTRACT, JP 9-500163, published 01-07-1997, Applicant: E.I. DuPont de Nemours & Co.				
			L			

Examiner	Date	
Signature	Considered	

<sup>\*</sup>EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). <sup>2</sup> Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached. This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.